

FOREIGN.

A Vienna letter says: "The *fête-dé-jour* of the Empress Elizabeth was marked by an important measure, the Minister of Justice having promulgated the abolition of the death-penalty and of capital as respects all subjects of the Austrian Empire. Thus has fallen the last vestige of old feudalism."

The announcement of the approaching marriage of the Duchesse de Monty is now what is called "official." Her fiance is a Spaniard of high family, recently described as the most beautiful in his title, but by his birth of his father he has become Hussar of Alava. Contrary to general usage, the ducal name in his family is a second title.

The London *Spectator* says: "The Apostolaries Hall have withdrawn—we do not know for what reason—but have given up their legal power to withdraw from examining women for marriage. Theirs wrote recently to the *Daily News* to state that she had applied in vain for permission to be admitted to the examinations. We must say we hold it to be a most unfortunate course for her to take, for her sake, for the Apostolaries. That woman with a thorough knowledge of medical science are specially fitted to do a great deal of good which it will never fail in men's way to do. It is matter of fact, if they were only to give good and skilled service, that the study of medicine and good tests of medical knowledge should be open to women. But there are much higher branches of the profession than those open to women for which they have almost exclusive advantages. Miss Garrett, however, to us, we have no objection to giving advice to a man at all—on their own and their children's complaints. It is monstrous to shut up such a field against women."

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